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To: Montana Committee

Chairman Clerk and Committee Members. Thank-you for this opportunity.

I am a Care-giver of over 16 years I have found it impossible, as a single mother to care for my family with out working at least 60 and most the time 80-100 hours per week for up to 5-8 agencies per year. With no insurance, and very poor benefits in all other areas I had to do this to make sure my children were protected.

These long hours are not easy on family, health, and morel of the workers. We come to you to ask for your help in this area so the current and future worker in this field will stay in the field, will keep the clients health and independent and the agencies will be able to help more clients.

Please be as generous as you can.

Thank-you again!